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## **AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action sent June 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## In the Claims:

Rewrite Claim 1 as follows:

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1. (Once Amended) A method in a computer system for transferring a file to another computer comprising:

sending a file to a receiver;

determining whether the file has been successfully transferred to the receiver; if the file has not been successfully transferred to the receiver, attempting to send the file to the receiver up to a preset number of times;

sending the file to a backup receiving location if attempting to send the file to the receiver up to the preset number of times fails;

determining whether the file has been successfully transferred to the backup receiving location; and

if the file has not been successfully transferred to the backup receiving location, attempting to send the file to the backup receiving location up to a preset number of times;

wherein the identification of said backup receiving location is predetermined by the receiver.